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The production of Indian musical instruments not being an industry of economic importance, no steps have been taken till now in the direction indicated in the latter part of the question.

Mr. K. Abdul Hye Sahib :—" May I know from the hon. the Minister for Education whether, seeing that Indian music is taught in higher elementary schools for girls, the Muhammadan girls are exempted ? "

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro :—" Muhammadan girls are not exempted ? "

Mr. S. Satyamurti :—" With reference to the Government Order referred to in the answer, may I ask the hon. the Minister whether any steps have been taken or are being taken to see that Indian music is taught ? May I know also what kind of Indian music is taught ? "

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro :—" Indian ? "

Mr. T. Adinarayana Chettiyar :—" Are girls in the Muhammadan schools taught music ? "

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro :—" I would ask my hon. Friend to refer to the Inspector of Schools of his district ? "

Mr. B. Venkataratnam (in Telugu) :—" Do the Government give grants to schools where Indian music is taught ? "

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro :—" It is the concern of the local bodies to have curriculums prepared to meet the requirements of the locality."

Mr. B. Venkataratnam (in Telugu) :—" Do the Government give any grants to them ? "

Mr. J. A. Saldanha :—" May I know what the hon. the Minister observed during his tours in the matter of the progress made in the direction of Indian music ? "

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro :—" I am glad to say that I found that very good progress was being made in this direction in the girls' schools of this Presidency."

Industries.

The Government School of Arts, Madras.

* 248 Q.—Mr. R. Veerian : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(*a*) the various subjects taught in the Government School of Arts, Madras ;

(*b*) the number of students castewar who are undergoing training in all grades in various branches of arts ;

(*c*) the conditions and time of admission into the school for training in all the various branches of arts ; and

(*d*) all the scholarship-holders castewar ?

A.—(*a*) 1. Wood-working, including cabinet-making and wood-carving.
2. Metal-working, including Silver-smithing.
3. Jewellery and stone-setting.

4. Wood and copper-plate engraving, die-sinking and etching.
5. Design, ornamental painting, lacquer work and cotton painting.
6. Carpet-weaving.
7. Modelling.
8. Drawing and painting from life.

Besides these, there is a separate drawing class for ladies which works from 8 to 10 a.m.

(*b*) A statement is appended.[a]

(*c*) The conditions are set forth in the school prospectus in detail. There are no regular terms or yearly periods at which students begin their courses ; they are admitted at any time throughout the year. They are encouraged to spend as much time in the school up to five years, as will provide them with a sound training in the art they select. Students of any age above ten years are admitted. There are no fees.

(*d*)	Non-Brahman Hindus	28
	Adi-Dravidas	10
	Brahmans	3
	Indian Christians	2
	Mussalmans	3
	Total ...	46

Mr. R. VEERIAN :—" May I know the principles on which scholarships are awarded ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur T. N. SIVAGNANAM PILLAI :—" Scholarships are awarded by the Principal of the Institute."

Mr. R. VEERIAN :—" Sir, I want to know the principle on which the scholarships are awarded."

The hon. Diwan Bahadur T. N. SIVAGNANAM PILLAI :—" If the hon. Member would refer to the prospectus of the School of Arts he will find a paragraph there which says that ' scholarships are awarded after a year or so on proof of fitness for further advance on the part of pupils '."

Mr. R. VEERIAN :—" May I know by whom the scholarships are awarded, by the Labour Commissioner or by the hon. the Minister for Development ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur T. N. SIVAGNANAM PILLAI :—" They are awarded by the Principal of the Institute."

Mr. R. VEERIAN :—" May I know why scholarships are not awarded for those who have undergone training for at least more than two years ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur T. N. SIVAGNANAM PILLAI :—" If they are not found fit by the Principal they are not given scholarships."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" With reference to (*a*), may I ask the the hon. the Minister how many students are learning ornamental painting and drawing and painting from life ? "

[a] Printed as Appendix IV on page 639 infra.

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The hon. Diwan Bahadur T. N. SIVAGNANAM PILLAI :—" The answer is that I have not got any more information than that contained in the appendix to this question."

Mr. R. VEERIAN :—" May I know what is meant by 'fitness'? Is it physical fitness, or mental fitness or any other thing ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur T. N. SIVAGNANAM PILLAI :—" General fitness."

Mr. R. VEERIAN :—" In that case, may I know if the Principal of this Institute is a medical man to find out that ? "

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS.

Agency fituri.

Offences relative to the fituri dealt with by executive orders or judicial proceedings.

249 Q.—Mr. C. RAMALINGA REDDI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) the nature of the crimes or offences relative to the fituri under which a number of people of the Agency tract concerned were dealt with by executive orders or through judicial proceedings, such as giving supplies to rebels, failure to give information to the Police, etc. ;

(*b*) how many persons were arrested for each of the offences covered by the above question, and what was the punishment meted out to each of them ;

(*c*) how many were charged before the courts ; what was the status of the Magistrates or Judges who tried the cases ; what was the number of acquittals on appeals, and of successful appeals ; whether the accused were allowed in all cases effective opportunities for defence by vakils ;

(*d*) whether any damage was done to property—such as destroying houses and grain stores—during the course of the operations by the Military or Police ; if so, whether any returns were made of such destruction ; and

(*e*) whether any people were dealt with by executive orders without reference to courts ; if so, for what offences ; and how many for each type of offence ; whether any people were deported ; whether any inquiries were held before the deportations were ordered ; and if so, who conducted the inquiries ?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) A list of persons dealt with judicially upon charges relating to the fituri is placed on the table.[a] Information as to the number who appealed is not available. The Government have no reason to suppose that those who desired to be defended by vakils were in any way prevented from engaging them.

(*d*) The Government have not received any report of damages or any complaints.

(*e*) Sixty-two persons were dealt with under the Ganjam and Vizagapatam Act, 1839, and the Madras State Prisoners Regulation, 1819, for various reasons, viz., secret communication with the rebels, assisting them with supplies and money,

[a] Printed as Appendix V on pages 640-653 infra.